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# 2016 Holiday Schedule

New Year's Day	Jan 1
MLK Jr. Day	Jan 18
Presidents Day	Feb 15
Memorial Day	May 30
Independence Day	Jul 4
Labor Day	Sep 5
Columbus Day	Oct 10
Veterans Day	Nov 11
Thanksgiving Day	Nov 24
	Nov 25
Christmas	Dec 26

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# THE RECORDER

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# Veterans ID Card Update

On November 11, 2015, the Stark County Recorder, in conjunction with Plain Township, had the first offsite Veterans ID Card events. We were able to issue several hundred Veterans ID Cards. These cards traditionally cost \$1.00 when issued, but through various anonymous donations the Stark County Recorder's Office was able to issue these at no cost to the Veterans attending.

# Top 10 Home Energy Tips

- 1. Wash clothes in cold water to save \$63 a year.
- 2. Install a programmable thermostat to save up to 10% on cooling and heating costs.
- 3. Use your own window shades. Close blinds on the sunny side in the summer to keep out the hot sun, and open them in winter months to bring in the warm rays.
- 4. Turn off all lights, appliances and electronics not in use. A power strip can help turn off multiple items at once. (Sometimes the simplest things are really effective!)
- 5. Change to new and improved light bulbs. Reduce energy use from about a third to as much as 80% with today's increasing number of energy-efficient halogen incandescents, CFLs and LEDs.
- 6. Look for the Energy Star label, the government's symbol of energy efficiency on a wide range of consumer products to save up to 30% on related electricity bills.
- 7. Use low-flow faucets and shower heads to save on water bills.
- 8. Clean or change filters regularly. A dirty furnace or A/C filter will slow down air flow and make the system work harder to keep you warm or cool.
- 9. Reduce water heater temperature to 130% F to save energy and money on heating water and wrap the water storage tank in a specially-designed "blanket" to retain heat.
- 10. Seal air leaks and properly insulate to save up to 20% on heating and cooling bills

## **Coming Soon!**

Offsite Veterans ID Cards to be issued in your neighborhood!

### Zoning

Remember to file your zoning amendments and resolutions. As required by Ohio Revised Code, local townships are required to file zoning resolutions and amendments with the County Recorder within five (5) working days after and amendments effective date. Any new zoning text effective in 2016 must also be filed in the County Recorder's office. See Section 317.32 for more information.

#### Vets

Veterans look for this logo when shopping.



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#### Avoid Foreclosure Scams!

Foreclosure rescue scams prey on the most vulnerable Ohio consumersthose facing foreclosure. Here are some tips to help you spot and how to report a scam:

#### It is a scam if someone asks you to:

- Give them cash to "negotiate" a loan modification for you.
- Ignore your lender's phone calls.
- Ignore your foreclosure case.
- Not contact an attorney.
- Review your documents for \$1,000.
- Trust me, I work for the government.
- Send money and your files so their experts can review them.
- Deed your home to them, and we will rent it back to you.
- Pay money for access to government bailout funds.

#### How to get real help:

- Get help for free by contacting "SAVETHE DREAM OHIO" at (888) 404-4674.
- Never pay a fee for help with foreclosure.

# We Have Updated Our Health Care Cards!

At the Recorder's Office you can file your Living Will and Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care. A living will is a legal document that should you become terminally ill or unconscious, your wishes regarding life-sustaining treatment are made known. A durable power of attorney for health care is a legal document that gives the authorization to another person to make health care decisions for you if ,for some reason, you are unable to. The Recorder's Office has always had a card for these documents, but now it is improved!



